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We have now entered into springtime and left the relics of the dark, dreary, and cold days behind. We are slowly coming out of our "caves" and are yearning for some good old fashion camping.

We want to welcome our new members Zachary and Stephanie Lee, Peggy and Ron Glanders, and welcome an exceptional transfer from Washington State, Neil & Lia Robinson. Luci and I met Neil and Lia in Tucson, Arizona, at the "Aluma Fiesta" in 2014 when we were on our honeymoon in our airstream. What a small world this is that they have not only moved to Texas but joined our unit. We look forward to many more rallies together.

Exciting days are ahead for all of us as we want to plan for a fun 2021. We have tried a couple of Google Meetups and will try another one next Saturday, April 10, at 11 a.m. I am trying to make these monthly so we can keep in touch. If we have good participa-

tion, we will regularize the call on the same monthly day and time. This time we will call on the second Saturday, and those of us who can join in the call, please do. Just click on the following link here or check your email for the link. <u>https://meet.google.com/jbz-bhpv-szw</u>

At the suggestion of some of our members, we are having an "impromptu rally" at our RV Park in Glen Rose, Texas, April 29-May 2, 2021. Some of us wanted to stretch our legs in April, so we decided to include our airstream unit in a rally at our park as part of our Grand Opening Celebration. The sites are 1/2 off plus the Rally fee of \$50 which includes three dinners and two breakfasts. We will have many fun things happening that weekend commemorating the 95th anniversary of the park, a rally schedule, music, and the grand opening, including Model T's, vintage RV's, and a *MERMAID PERFORMANCE* in the "Oakdale Plunge." Please book your site and rally participation by April 17 to take advantage of the weekend's discounted features. Call Oakdale 254-897-2321 to book your spot. Please reach out to others and invite them in on the fun!

In May, Doug and Sheryl Wylie and Joan Ermis are organizing a rally in Castroville. Be on the look out for the agenda for that.

Please sign up for the 64th Annual Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee which will be held from July 17 to July 24, 2021. Additionally, Joane Ermis and Doug Wylie are starting to put together a caravan for International. Information regarding this event is on page 4.

We end with this observation on spring by Victor Hugo- "If people did not love one another, I don't see what use there would be in having any spring."

Philip Vasquez and Luci DiGiorgio

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THE Incident—a super short story

This is a story from Carol Wallace and Charlie Williams when checking on their rig. What a story and I'm sure there's a lesson in here somewhere...albeit mostly for the cat. Hope the cat found its way home.

From Carol: We picked up our airstream from the repair people in Temple on March 5. We didn't go inside it, just assumed all was ok. Anyway, we brought it to Georgetown and parked it in our storage place. Then yester-

day March 17, we went to take some things to put in it and when Charlie opened the door and went inside he yelled at me to come look. Something had just shredded the blinds on all the windows. When we searched we saw something had peed and pooped all over our beds. We finally looked under the couch. We had a cat that had been shut up all that time, no food or water and we couldn't get it out. The guy we rent the space from had a raccoon live trap and put water and food in it. We caught it overnight and he sure meowed when we went inside. We returned him to Temple and turned him loose. Hope he went home. Included are some photos of the damage. Lots of cleaning up to do.





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- 06 Nancy Westley
- 08 Martha Gosnell
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New members: Ron and Peggy Glanders Zachary and Stephanie Lee





- ⇒ If there is any news or pictures you would like to post, please do so on our Facebook page. The page name is Texas Hill Country Unit.
- ⇒ If you are not a Facebook user or a seldom Facebook user (like me) BUT would like to provide news or pictures in this newsletter, please send it to me at ally.ebbers@gmail.com and I will post on the next newsletter.



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It's Time for Family – Fun – Music in Lebanon, Tennessee

Registration is now <u>OPEN</u> for the 64th Annual Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. The Rally is set for July 17 to July 24, 2021.

Join us in the beautiful city of Lebanon, Tennessee, located in Wilson County. Only 30 minutes east of Nashville with a ton of amazing things to do in the area. Here you will

find friendly faces, historical places, endless shopping, diverse dining, distilleries, wineries, beautiful lakes, state parks, and outdoor adventure, just to name a few.

Rally fees are \$265 per RV on-site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-out. \$125 per adult, \$40 for youth 13 to 17 and kids under 12 are free. Keep an eye out for more information Sign up today to reserve your spot by visiting <u>airstreamclub.org/Lebanon</u>.

Hope to see you there! Andrew Selking International President

To get to the 2021 International rally, Doug Wylie and Joane Ermis are planning a caravan from TX to TN. It isn't too early to start planning. Below is the information from Mr Wylie:

TEXAS HILL COUNTRY UNIT CARAVAN

To THCU and any Airstreamers,

The information is out for the 2021 International Airstream Rally in Lebanon, TN. The date for the rally is July 17 - 24, 2021. Joane Ermis and Doug Wylie are starting to put together a caravan from Texas to Lebanon, TN. and back home. There is a lot to see and do between here and there. Joane and I (Doug Wylie) have been in this area and know of some fun things to do. On our next unit rally we will talk about it. We are open for any and all suggestions. Thank you and this will be fun.

THCU Rally Schedule 2021

Below is a tentative schedule for 2021. Items in **green** are Region 9 or International events. You will notice that a lot of dates and location are not locked down or set in stone. For these we are open to ideas as well as volunteers to be Wagonmasters. The Wagon Master(s) decide on the activities and choose a theme (if a theme is desired). Please consider volunteering to be a wagonmaster.

2021 TENTATIVE RALLY SCHEDULE

Date	Location	WagonMaster(s)
January 18-22	IBT Sarasota, FL	International Officers
February	None planned	
March	None planned	
April 13-18 Region 9	Mineola, TX Roaring 20s Theme	CANCELLED
April 29 -May 2	Oakdale RV Resort & Motor Court Glenrose, TX	WagonMasters: Philip Vasquez and Luci DiGiorgio
Мау	Castroville, TX	WagonMasters: Doug and Sheryl Wylie and Joan Ermis
July 17-24 International	Lebanon, TN	International Officers
September	Business Luncheon; location TBD	
October	Gonzales or Rio Frio	If you would like to volunteer to be the Wagon Master please contact Phillip Vasquez
November	Installation rally; location TBD	Unit officers
December	Holiday Luncheon; location TBD	